COMMISSIONER WATSON MUST EXPLAIN HIS OFFICIAL ACTS

THE WEATHER REPORT:

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8 — Okla-oms: Fair Treaday and Wednesday; at much change in temperature.



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How Germany Expects to Make Good Her English Blockade

DESPITE FIGHT OF DEMOCRATS PROBE IS SURE

Minority Resolution Calling for Investigation of Welch Is Passed,

HARRISON SPEEDY IN WELCH DEFENSE

'Amendment Was Won by Majority After Prolonged and Bitter Debate.

> By GLENN CONDON. (Stuff Correspondent.)

LAHOMA CITY, Feb. 8.—A leg-O islative investigation of the state insurance commissioner's official acts and conduct was authorized by the house of representatives today when the resolution by Representatives Testerman and Headley, Republicans, was adopted after it had been vigorously opposed by members of the ma-jority and finally amended so as to give the necessary inquisitorial power to the standing committee on investi-gations of judicial and executive departments.

partments.
A concerted effort was made by Democratic leaders to smother the Republican resolution and the charge was made that it was introduced for "political purposess. Representative Tom Testerman asked the pointed question, "What political advantage can there be to us if the Democrats give the insurance commission a full and fair investigation?" No one attempted to reply to the inquiry and tempted to reply to the inquiry and the resolution was adopted, after be-ing amended so as to eliminate the clause calling for the appointment of a special investigating committee of members, with Speaker cMCrory

When Testerman first called the resolution up, Representative Ben Harrison moved to refer it to the standing committee on investigations. This brought on an extended debate

This brought on an extended debate and the motion was lost on roll call by a vote of 41 to 39.

"Your governor," said Representative Testerman in opposing the Harrison motion, "declared that he courted an investigation of any state

chairman of the standing committee on investigation, said his committee had already been conducting probes into several state departments and would welcome any member of the

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Father Of Zeppelins In Their Defense

KARL H. VON WEIGAND, (United Press Staff Correspond-

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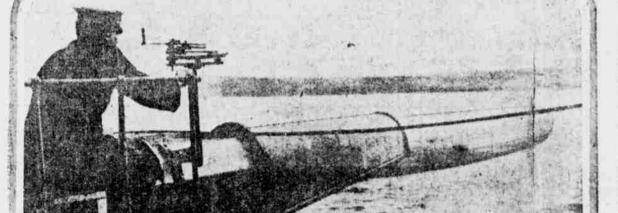
RERLIN, Feb. 8.—"Does anyone for a moment believe that England, in her determination to crush Germany by every ' means within her power, even attemptwithin her power, even attempting to starve women and children, would not use Zeppelins if she had them?" It was Count Ferdinand Von Zeppelin, creator of Germany's dreaded fleet of aerial battleships; that spoke.

This was his answer to the pro-

This was his answer to the pro-tests raised by Germany's ene-mies against the use of Zeppe-lins and the dropping of bombs on unfortified places, killing women and children.

And his answer was a justifi-cation of what has taken place and will continue to take place while this world war goes on.
"No one regrets more than I do that non-compatants, baye, here that non-combatants have been slain," declared the father of the

Zeppelins, "but have not they been by other engines of warbeen by other engines of war-fare? Why, then, this outery? "Let me tell you," he contin-ued with emphasis, "It is because England fears the Zeppelin dirsi-bles. Aerial warfare has come to



KHEL, Germany, Feb. 8. Torpedoes from destroyers and from submarines are expected to be the means whereby the kaiser will "make good" his blockade of the British Isles, beginning on February 18, according to the imperial announcement.

In naval circles here it is said that the various dread naughts and battle cruisers of the navy will slip out of Heligoland Bight, each convoying from a dozen to a score of destroyers and submarines. The large vessels will hover off the English coast, avoiding engagements with the enemy, but acting as supply ships and floating naval bases for the small boats and the "Unterseeboots,

It is believed that Germany possesses far more destroyers and submarines than any of her enemies imagine, since it will require many flotillas of the little craft even to begin an adequate blockade

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

NO PENSIONS FOR OFFICERS' WIDOWS

House Members Oppose Measure to Pay State Pensions to Women.

FIGHT WAS BITTER

Nesbitt, With Resolution, Would Stop the Minority Disclosuers.

Luther Harrison, Amos Ewing and man foreign office memorandum many other members opposed the bill from Ambassador Gerard and a reon the ground that it established a port of the Lusitania incident from

dangerous precedent.

Luther Harrison failed to amend taken. Luther Harrison failed to amend taken. Tomorrow the situation will the bill so as to provide a pension for widows of deputy sheriffs in the president and his cabinet. For-

other women were not in dire circumstances. Mrs. Oates was left some real estate by her husband, he said. Netherlands. Denmark and Italy, and was also holding down a lucra- were at the state department today tive position in the present state sen-

ate. Cut Pension Features. *
"It is not the size of the step that (Continued on Page Three.)

LOUD, BUT CONSERVATIVE.



Can you imagine say the spring styles will be con-servative. For the love of Mike, what do they call con-servative? This

They're here.

U. S. PUZZLED OVER MILITARY BUDGET CLOSING OF SEAS

Between This Country and England.

TROUBLES AMERICANS RECRUITS COME SLOW

at State Department to Learn of Plans.

somer that make a complete investigation absolutely necessary.

Says Too Many Charges.

Representative Childers opposed the resolution.

"I am not in favor of covering up any wrong." said the representative form Einid, "but i am getting tired of charges being preferred against state officials without any evidence to warrant such action and solely for political purposes."

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Two more days have been allotted to the developments from day to day are favorable. The task of introducing the budget in fact the called the variations of the 'American flag, for the war office, H. J. Tennant, as Earl Kitchener, secretary for war, is a member of the house of lords.

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officials without any evaluation of the purposes."

Representative Sams of Nowata, Republican, quoted an editorial from a "leading Democratic paper of this state" in which the statement was made that the people were demanding an investigation of the question of insurance rates and the acts of the state insurance commissioner. Mr. Sams charged the Democrats with trying to "delay or smother" the resolution and said that if the insurance commissioner was honest he would court an immediate investigation.

Representative Goodwin of Pawnee, chairman of the standing committee.

Pending the receipt of the Ger-Ambassador Page no action will be Seminole county who were killed by outlaws and Ben Harrison's amendment cutting the pension from \$35 to german naval commanders will take ment cutting the pension from \$55 to to protect neutrals traveling on mergran that while Mrs. Godfrey was destitute and had little children to support, the and had little children to support, the support of the neutral diplomats.

Many of the neutral diplomats among them the ministers from the and to all inquiries as to the possble action of the American govern-ment in connection with the pro-hibited sea zones and the use of neutral flags aboard belligerent mer-chantmen, Secretary Bryan answered that the questions were "still under consideration."

While none of the neutral envoys proposed joint action with the American government, they sought information for the gudance of their own foreign offices, Chairman Flood palm beaches in and Representative Cline of sky blue or baby house foreign affairs committee also pink? Well, the discussed the subject with Mr. Bryan pink? Well, the discussed the subject with Mr. Bryan shopkeepers say but declined to talk of their visit afterward.

Otherwise they HIGHER PRICE FOR N. Y. BREAD

HIGHER PRICE FOR N. Y. BREAD Rise of Price of Fuolr Given as Cause of Advance.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—The price of five-cent loaves of bread will go up to six cents in this city tomorrow. Anress is catching. But they havn't found out how to conserve the noise made by the new spring lids.

We heard of one today, but hearsay evidence is not the best. What do we mean? Why, robins, of course. english the collection

ENGLAND'S RECORD

Diplomatic Corespondence Largest Appropriation for War Purposes in Great Britain's History.

Neutral Diplomats Inquiry Member of Liberals Objects to Suppression of the News Censor Bureau,

W ASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—In-formal discusion by Pres. L The introduction of the largest dent Wilson with his advisers of the military budget in the history of Great whole country, whole country.

The elements of prosperity are at German notification of the dangers Britain shared the stage in the house

more men. Every man will be needed in this great life and death struggle. The variations and vicissitudes of this war may yet call for even greater sacrifices from the nation than have yet

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Spell Back All Proper Names

To avoid misspelling of proper names, when giving World Want Ads by 'phone, it should be remembered that certain consonants sound alike over the telephone, viz., F and S, M and N, P and T, etc. For example: F. T. Norris might appear in print as S. P. Morris.

Errors of this sort may be averted by spelling back in this maner: First initial F. (as in Frank), second initial T. (for Tom), first letter in name N. (as in Nellie); then Both time and temper will

be conserved where this method is used. WORLD

WANTS WIN

PROSPERITY IS CERTAIN, STEEL KING BELIEVES

Confidence in Restoration POSTOFFICE WI of Improved Times Essential, Says Farrell,

PREDICTS UNUSUAL FARM VALUES 1915

American Dollars Will Be Spent in America This Summer, He Declares.

DITTSBURGH, Feb. 8. - Courage and co-operation in business and perity was the advice expressed James A. Farrell, president of the United States Steel Corporation, in an address before the Engineers Society

Mr. Farrell quoted "eminent European and Americans as authority". as calculating that the United States' 1915 may easily reach one billion dol. country.

Will Create Employment.

"I feel safe in saying that if we will strain a point just now and trade a little more with each other and better times, and what is more im-portant, create more employment for labor. Our best efforts should be put forth to stimulate activity in business and do everything practicable to increase the number of working people, not only in the industries of this community, but throughout the

Mr. Farrell said that up to within a few weeks "it seemed as if the prospects of a material improvement in business were doubtful, but apparently the tide has turned and each day records a marked improvement in the general situation.

Probe in Secret, "Probe in Secret, won't get a job. At least if you do, you won't keep it long. The system taking of evidence in the sec will be resumed Tuesday. "Campbell custodian of the Campbell custodian of the combination and the prospects of a material improvement in prospects of a material improvement in the prospects of a material improvement in the prospects of a material improvement in ployes in making our investigation.

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iet-live attitude toward business.
"Whatever may be the political outcome of the European war, it is of vital consequence to America's future

Trade Balance Grows,

Big Railroad Order

AID UNEMPL [/ED

Free Employment Agencies All Over the Country.

HEAD OFFICE IN ST. L.

Employers Can Get Employes by the Same Method.

"How many cows can you milk?"

"Are you of a working disposition?" ment that the United States labor and postoffice departments are opening excess of exports over imports in through all the postoffices in the Fitzgerald of Hobart, a Democratic

and when properly filled out may be returned to the clerk, who will for-

ness of the country will take on a the employment bureau would be con-momentum which will carry us into ducted through departmental officials it all. at the nation's capital, but such is not the case. The country has been di-vided into districts. Oklahoma, Kan-

to the central department. There is no guarantee given by Postmaster hand," said Senator Wilson, "there Crutchfield or by Assistant Postmaster is no question in my mind but what

ay records a marks.

The general situation.

"It seems to me," he continued.

"that the time has come when cooperation should manifest itself among business men to bring about conditions which will result in a larger employment of labor.

"As business men let us give our attention to solving industrial unrest is yereating work, by tolling and spining and creating a normal circulation in the arties of commerce. In the arties of commerce. In the property of the constant of th of national common sense and see if deen if any; whether his family will accompany him and if his wife is able sentiment and governmental inclination unmistakebly favor a live-and-let-live attitude toward business.

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Trade Balance Grows.

There is a strong sentiment, Mr. Farrell said, for co-ordinated effort in trade activity. Confidence in the business future of the country, he declared, is growing and a balance of trade is piling up that will place the business of the country on firm foundations.

"We are the only nation at the present time in a position to assume the role of the world's banker." he said. "American dollars will be spent in American this summer as never before. The outlook for raising New York to first place among the financial centers of the world is declared by able bankers to be something substantially more tangible than a dream, Moncy is plentiful and low rates obtain. Cotton has recovered in price from 6 1-4 cents in October to fully 8 1-2 cents per pound today. Shipments to date exceed four million hales, or two-thirds of the corresponding total of a year ago.

"The Linied States is today the chief granary of Europe. The prices received should haure for our farming population an unprecedented measure of prosperity and it has come to be an American axiom that when

LEGISLATIVE NEWS

DINED, WINED, **USED FREE COAL** AND STATE PAID

Official Acts of A. P. Watson, Corporation Commissioner, to Be Probed.

FITZGERALD WILL SUPPORT THE MOVE

Why He Used Free Coal at His Home Will Be Question Asked Official.

By GLENN CONDON. (Staff Correspondent)

resolution to investigate the official conduct of Corporation Com-These are some of the questions missioner A. P. Watson was drawn hat Uncle Sam asks the candidate for Lonight and it is understood upon rei job in the new employment depart- liable authority will be introduced in

lars; and he declared that the balance of trade in favor of the United States for the opening month of the year is at the rate of \$1,500,000,000 at 15 postmaster Crutchfield. Of course, it the protection of the postmaster Crutchfield. Of course, it the protection of the postmaster that the protection of the protectio "The years of greatest prosperity in the United States have been when the balances were largely in our favor," asserted Mr. Farrell. "It is not imprudent to predict that out total farm values for the current year, for the first time in the annals of this or any other country, will pass the state of the state will be furnished on application at this window and when properly filled out may be be asked. It is said the protected in the protection of the protecti ward them to the St. Louis headquar-ters under a postmaster's frank. If the applicant mails the blank him-self the customary postage will be restood. According to LeRoy Hile, who There has been a general idea that bauled the coal, the commission cellar was not large enough to hold

Maybe Coal Trust?

The senate investigation into the sas, Missouri and Jowa are in one district with headquarters in St. Louis,
Applications by employers for employes filed in the Tulsa office will be sent to St. Louis. The local office only lee had received evidence that there handles the blanks and forwards them is a coal trust operating in Oklahoma.

Johnson that you will immediately se- a huge coal monopoly exists in Okla-However, there is a reasonable chance that you will. The applications are all recorded in the St. Louis offices and just as rapidly as the employers of the country call for employes just that fast will the jobs be homa. A concern that charges peo-

ployes in making our investigation."

The senator announced that the taking of evidence in the secret probe

name and address of two last our-ployers, wages received from them and cause of loss of position, whether pays a tribute, in an article given out position that advantage be taken of the present opportunity to exploit the what states he will accept employ-ment, if a farm hand, what kind of ment, if a farm hand, what kind of the ordnance department, ment, if a farm hand, where ser-ment, if a farm hand, where ser-ment, if a farm hand, where ser-ment, if a farm hand, what kind of the ordnance department, ment, if a farm hand, where ser-ment, if a farm hand, what kind of the ordnance department, ment, if a farm hand, what kind of the ordnance department, and the ordnance department departmen he has any allment or physical dis-ability; how long he has been idle; in the excellent work of the army supply a farm work he has done, where service was performed and the number of cows he can milk.

The employer seeking labor must and ammunition.